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(37 CFR 1.63)**

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Filing Date	
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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

**LOTTERY TICKET SCRAPER**

*(Title of the Invention)*

the specification of which

is attached hereto

OR

was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY)

as United States Application Number or PCT International

(if applicable)

Application Number

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below

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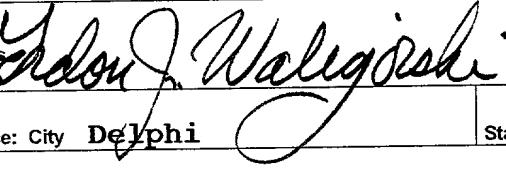
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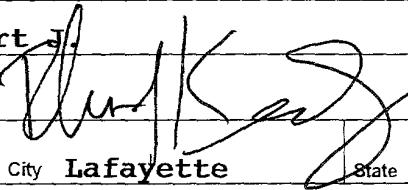
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ADDITIONAL INVENTOR(S)  
Supplemental Sheet  
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Title: LOTTERY TICKET SCRAPER ) Unit: unknown  
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**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY**  
**STATUS (37 CFR 1.9 (f) AND 1.27 (b) - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR**

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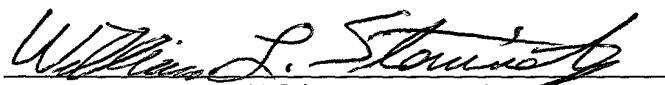
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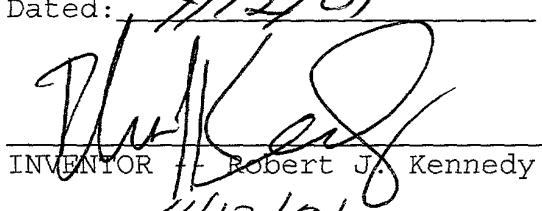
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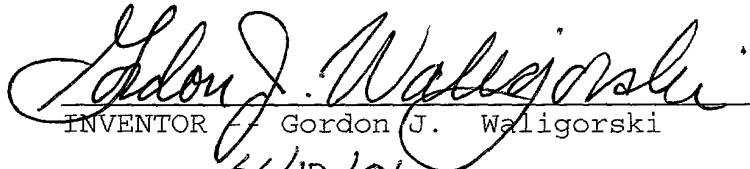
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